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IF we need TCEQ to weigh in on draft statement, what do you think of this? It says the same but adds TCEQ to first phrase. Ronnie mentioned at senior staff the need to weigh in with TCEQ. Carmen ???

Draft Desk Statement

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) are working with Unified Command in response to a fire at the International Terminals Corporation (ITC) Deer Park facility near Houston, TX. The Unified Command consists of EPA, TCEQ, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), Harris County Pollution Control Services (HCPCS) and ITC. Emergency responders continue to use foam to control and prevent spreading of the fire. EPA has conducted air monitoring with the Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft (ASPECT) and has not measured any significant detections in the vicinity and downwind of the incident. EPA and the Unified Command are continuing to conduct air monitoring.

Sincerely,

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